

January 10/11, 2015

Baptism of our Lord

Five minutes before the service, the Pastors and Elders are praying for you.

As we enter the House of God, let us meditate quietly and prepare our hearts for worship and praise of our Lord and Savior. Remember what the Scriptures say, “The Lord is in His holy temple; Let us all the earth keep silence before Him!”
Habakkuk 2:20

(Please check your cell phones and beepers to make sure they are turned off while in the Sanctuary.)

TO OUR VISITORS

In the Name of the Lord Jesus we bid you welcome to our congregation, to its blessings, to its comfort, and to its peace. Within this congregation let no one feel himself a stranger. We ask you to sign our guest register located in the foyer and to fill out the guest book in each pew letting us know how we can serve you. If you have no church affiliation elsewhere, we invite you to make Mount Calvary Evangelical Lutheran your church home. Membership is open to all who are in accord with the doctrines and practices of our church, as based on the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. Please get in touch with one of our Pastors for the next available new member class.

THE LORD’S EXPECTATION OF THE MEMBERS OF MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the glad confession of the Christian faith the Lord expects that every member attends Worship and the Lord’s Supper faithfully. The Lord expects every member is involved in Christ-centered education, (Bible Study); The Lord expects every member to be a missionary of Christ and of the Gospel to our community; and that every member is a faithful steward and disciple for the honor and glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEKEND

Orders of Service:	Divine Service I
Hymns:	877, 598, 405, 538
Theme:	“United in His Death”
Text:	Romans 6:5
Sermon by: Pastor Domke	Liturgist: Pastor Smith

Children’s Sermon this Sunday, January 11th at the 8 am and 10:30 a.m. service.

Adult Bible Class – Sunday Morning – We continue watching the ‘Truth Project’, Lesson Two: Topic- Philosophy and Ethics: Says Who? In this second installment of our worldview tour, Dr. Tackett takes students into the northeast quadrant of the compass for an introduction to Philosophy and Ethics, the two outside pillars or framework of foundational concepts. In essence, the message of this lesson parallels the precept of Proverbs 23:7 – “As a man thinks in his heart, so is he.” The heart of the discussion lies in the thought that there is a formal and vital connection between our ideas about the nature of the world (philosophy) and our understanding of right and wrong behavior (ethics). Please everyone come and watch, listen and learn! Pastor Domke

PARISH PRAYERS

◇ Remember those serving in our military. (Please give the church office information on our members who are serving in the armed forces so we can be in contact with them.) Please notify the church office when you or a loved one is entering the nursing home. Because of the privacy laws this information is not available to the public nor the Pastors.

◇ Remember those who have lost a loved one or wish to be remembered in prayer please contact the office. Sharron Hansen passed away last Sunday. Her funeral was Friday. We pray the Lord’s comfort and strength for the members of her family.

◇ Remember those who have been hospitalized or have special needs: **Ryker Lammey, Cindy Alter, Megan Smith, LaVaun Jones, Betty Schroeder, Melanie Kludt, Graham Smith, Claudia Scotter.**

Hospital Visitation—Please let us know when you are going or are in the hospital. Pastor Domke

Altar Guild -- is looking for several people to help care for and set up the altar, please consider this important work. Call the church office, speak to Phyllis Arwood, or Pastor Domke

THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD’S HOUSE THIS WEEK

	7:00 pm	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Organist:	Emily Cruse	Emily Cruse	Emily Cruse
Acolyte:	Lexy Gilbert	Anna Kruse	Alaina Dale

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE: Divine Worship: 244 Sunday School: 30 Adult Bible Class: 85

Weekly Budgeted Need:	Offering Last Week	Needed to Date	Giving To Date
General \$ 6,736	not available		
Mission \$ 1,593			
Building \$ 576			

Men's Tuesday Morning and Men’s Thursday Evening Bible Study: All the men of the congregation are invited to attend. The time we spend together is a time of conversation, prayer, fellowship and bible reading, [We are currently in the Book of Acts]. We meet at Vertos at 6:30 AM. Also on Thursday evenings men gather at 7 PM, September to May in the Board room. Pastor Domke

WEBSITE UPDATE: You may find that the Church Website is down for a few days as we make the move to our new hosting service. But once it is up please be sure to check it out for there will be a new look to the website. We are doing a bit of rearranging so stuff won’t be exactly where it was, but there is a search feature, and we will get all the old content up on the new. We are still in need of people who want to help out on the website and we will need people who can post content to the website.

Annual Reports due in the church office .

January 22, 2015 will mark the 42nd anniversary of the horrendous Roe v. Wade ruling by the Supreme Court, legalizing the murder of the unborn.

City-Wide Sanctity of Human Life Memorial Service and Prayer Walk Thursday, January 22nd 7 pm. All are welcome to attend this program remembering the unborn children of Roe versus Wade. Join others in this ecumenical, non-denominational prayer service followed by optional prayer walk to Planned Parenthood. Warm drinks and treats will be served. Held at Sioux Falls First Assembly of God Church 6300 W 41st Street, Sioux Falls. Call 605-361-3500 for details.

The Spring Board to Life – A New Member Class begins January 15th.

6:00—8:00pm

The class normally runs 12 -15 weeks.

This is a class for people who are interested in learning more about Christianity and what the Lutheran Church (LCMS) believes and why we believe it.

☑ Any question can be asked.

☑ You will not be called on to read unless you are willing.

☑ Classes are very informal...no tests.

☑ During the class you will be given the opportunity to join our fellowship, but only if you choose to do so.

Joining a congregation is a matter of conscience and conviction and should not be taken lightly.

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New Member's

Luncheon/Potluck

January 11th right after 2nd Service

Come to Meet all our New Member's from 2014

All Members are encouraged to attend for this time of Food and Fellowship as we public greet those who have joined our family in this last year as Members of Mount Calvary.

Neil Asmus

Ashley Florey and family

Brian Kuehl and family

Kelli Medina

Fawn Olerud and family

Main Street Living Jan. 11, 2015 Kid's Crossing-Lily is disturbed that her mother is giving her rules for when she can be on her computer and Aunt Lisa explains to her why rules are important. Rev. Garen Pay of Peace Lutheran Church in Alcester, South Dakota delivers today's message that "Jesus Stands with Us to Save Us", based on Matthew 3: 13-17

ACTSS Fellowship will be meeting on January 23rd at 6:00 at the Scoreboard. Afterwards we will meet at Donnell's for fun and fellowship. Please let Art or Jeanie know by January 21st if you will be coming.

LYF ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

February 11- LYF activity- 8th grade parents serve; No Wed activity in March- Lent; April 8- LYF Activity - Youth Board serves

(Elders Please Stand)

THE CHARGE TO THE ELDERS:

As Elders in Christ's Church, you are to be examples of Christian conduct and conversation, faithful in worship and attendance at the Lord's Supper, regular in Bible study and in prayer.

As Elders in Christ's Church you are to assist the Pastors in all matters pertaining to the spiritual welfare of the congregation; to assist the Pastors (when necessary) during the divine service, and to visit the sick and the erring.

The Elders are elected to serve as assistants to the Pastors, to support and give encouragement when they are discouraged, and to pray at all times especially when the demands of the office become burdensome.

The Elders are to admonish every member who has become inactive, warning them of the spiritual danger they are in and to call them back into the fellowship of the church, by means of the Law and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It is also the responsibility of the Elders to admonish all those who have not brought their tithe according to their ability.

The Elders are to use their office to adjust differences and dissensions within the congregation and to restore peace.

The Elders are to see to it that the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and church discipline prescribed in the Word of God and the Lutheran Confessions are practiced and preserved within the congregation.

Together with the Pastors, they shall examine all applications for membership in and administer all policies of the congregation.

And finally, the Elders are to see to it that the children are properly prepared through catechetical instruction to be received into communicant membership.

(The Elders shall come to the communion rail)

*The Scriptures tell us that as Elders in the Church you are to keep watch over the church (Acts 20:28) **"as men who must give an account"** to God. Hebrews 13:17*

The Office of Elder is a sober, yet sacred office in Christ's church. You are to serve in this office with humility and honor. This service is a great privilege and is to be respected and honored by all, for you are answering a call of God. Please give cheerful answer to the following questions.

The Solemn Words of Promise

Do you believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God and that they are the only rule of faith and practice of the Church? And do you further believe that the Scriptures of both Testaments are infallible and inerrant?

Elders: I do so believe.

*Will you heed the Scripture which says, "**Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear?**" I Peter 3:15*

Elders: I will.

Do you accept the Lutheran Confessions that is the 'Book of Concord of 1580' are the true explanation of the Word of God?

Elders: I do so accept.

Do you promise to assist your Pastors as faithful helpers and endeavor to preserve peace and harmony within the fellowship?

Elders: I promise so to do!

Do you now in the presence of this congregation accept your election to the Office of Elder and solemnly promise to the best of your knowledge and ability to discharge all the duties of this office?

Elders: I do, with the help of the Lord.

Do you the members of this Congregation acknowledge and receive these brothers as Elders and do you solemnly promise to respect and honor the office to which they have been chosen, encouraging and supporting them in the faithful discharge of their office? If so, signify the same by rising and joining your hearts with ours in prayer.

(The Elders are now to kneel at the communion rail.)

Heavenly Father who in Your wisdom have endowed these servants with a diversity of spiritual gifts and abilities, and who have called them to Your service, we thank You for these servants whom we now consecrate and install into the Office of Elder. Bless them with Your grace that they may serve honorably and faithfully as servants in Your house.

Send Your Holy Spirit on them that their minds may be enlightened and their spirit kindled with Your Holy Fire. Make them wise and diligent in the performance of the spiritual affairs of the church. Teach them how effectively to promote peace, hospitality of spirit, and true Christian fellowship among the members of this congregation. May they gain a good standing in Your church and great boldness in the Christian faith both to defend it and to serve, that Your Holy Will might be done in this place through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ and of this, His church, I now declare you to be consecrated and installed into the Office of Elder.

May God bless you and may His Spirit lead and guide you always.

(The Elders may return to their seats.)

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
		Installation of Elders	
		Children's Sermon	
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/ Adult Bible Class	Activities Center
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
		Installation of Elders	
		Children's Sermon	
Monday:		Pastor's Day off	
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
Tuesday:	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Verto's
	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:00 p.m.	Chapel	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting	Boardroom
Wednesday:	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	Kids for Christ and Confirmation	CAC
	7:00 p.m.	Choir	Choir Loft
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	9:00 a.m.	Shut ins	
	2:00 p.m.	Mt. Calvary Service	Fellowship hall
	6:00 p.m.	Pastor's Class	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	Sunquest
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study	NE Classroom
Friday		Pastor Smith's day off	
	9:00 a.m.	Shut in calls	
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service w/ Communion	Sanctuary